

By: Representative Moak

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 178

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR STEALING  
2 FIREARMS DURING THE COMMISSION OF ANOTHER CRIME AND TO PRESCRIBE  
3 PENALTIES THEREFOR; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 **SECTION 1.** In addition to any other penalty provided by law,  
6 any person who, during the commission of any criminal act, shall  
7 knowingly and willfully take, steal or carry away any firearm  
8 which belongs to another shall be guilty of a felony and upon  
9 conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than  
10 five (5) years or by a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars  
11 (\$5,000.00), or both. The penalties provided by this section  
12 shall be supplemental to any other criminal penalties.

13 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
14 and after July 1, 2006.